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Personnel Security Committee

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FROM:

Chairman, Personnel Security Committee

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SUBJECT: Personnel Security Research Survey

1. The Personnel Security Committee, Interagency Group/Countermeasures (Policy) has established a Personnel Security Research Subcommittee (PSRS). Chaired by DoD, the PSRS includes representatives from the Central Intelligence Agency and the Office of Personnel Management. The objectives of the PSRS are to:

- °Identify personnel security topics/issues requiring systematic research;
- °Recommend research priorities;
- °Prevent duplication of effort;
- °Obtain from interested agencies evaluation of the value and utility of the research products;
- °Assure that the security community is aware of the availability of the research products;
- °Encourage necessary funding for research.

2. The initial priority effort of the PSRS is to ensure/coordinate appropriate action in response to a specific requirement of the President's September 1986, "Report to the Congress on the Nation's Counterintelligence and Security Countermeasures Plans, Programs and Capabilities" which reads as follows:

"Direct that personnel security research be intensified to develop more productive and, when possible, less costly investigative techniques and more specific guidelines for determinations of eligibility for access. To the extent that such research leads to major changes in the methodology of judging an individual's bonafides, determine the advisability and feasibility of setting a common investigative scope for Top Secret and SCI access."

3. To ensure a coordinated response to the above cited Presidential requirement and to serve as a basis for an initial assessment of Federal personnel security research completed, underway or planned, it is requested that you provide information detailed in the attached survey form.

4. Your early response is requested. At the next meeting of the Personnel Security Committee, IG/CM(P), I would like the PSRS to provide a briefing of the status of the subcommittee's progress and an initial overview of personnel security research based, in part, on this survey.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

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Chairman

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Attachment

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PERSONNEL SECURITY RESEARCH
SURVEY SHEET

1. Name of Agency_____.
2. Name and title of principal security official_____.
3. Name and title of principal personnel security official_____.
4. Name and title of official responsible for personnel security research_____.
5. Listing of significant personnel security research studies completed since the beginning of calendar year 1985.
6. Precis of personnel security research currently underway or to be initiated by the end of FY 1989 to include:
 - Title of study
 - Objective of study
 - Study being/to be done in-house or by contract. If contract name of contracting firm or individual
 - Expected completion date
 - Cost estimate

Please send response to:

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